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In re Patent Application of:  
Ryoichi KAWAI et al.

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Art Unit: 2851

For: PAPER FEEDING APPARATUS AND IMAGE  
FORMING APPARATUS INCLUDING THAT  
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**REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 7, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

- Amended Claim Set; and
- Remarks; and



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# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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